

INVESTIGATOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

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Reporting Year: 2007	Park: Shenandoah N	P			address	Select the type of permit this report addresses: Scientific Study	
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Project Title (maximus Examining ploidy lev			in the Houstonia	section An	nphiotis		
Park-assigned Study or Activity #: SHEN-00339		Park-assigned Permit #: SHEN-2007-SCI-0009		Permit Start Date: Jul 01, 2007		Permit Expiration Date: Oct 31, 2007	
Scientific Study Startin Jul 01, 2007	Estimated Scientific Study Ending Date: Oct 31, 2007						
For either a Scientific Study or a Science Education Activity, the status is:			For a Scientific Study that is completed, please check each of the following that applies:				
Continuing			A final report has been provided to the park or will be provided to the park within the next two years				
			Copies of field notes, data files, photos, or other study records, as agreed, have been provided to the park				
			All collected and retained specimens have been cataloged into the NPS catalog system and NPS has processed loan agreements as needed				
Activity Type: Research							
Subject/Discipline: Plant Communities (V	Vegetation)						

Purpose of Scientific Study or Science Education Activity during the reporting year (maximum 4000 characters):

This research investigates the relationship of polyploidy and hybridization on plant speciation. Specifically, I am interested in the hybridization patterns of Houstonia species and the influence of ploidy level. Exploring this relationship will provide data relevant to evolutionary studies With these data, not only will more direct conclusions be drawn in regards to the influences of polyploidy and hybridization, but genetic data will be provided for the conservation efforts of H. montana.

Findings and status of Scientific Study or accomplishments of Science Education Activity during the reporting year (maximum 4000 characters):

Presently, leaf tissue and seeds have been collected from these regions and molecular analyses to gather genetic population data are in progress.

For Scientific Studies (not Science Education Activities), were any specimens collected and removed from the park but not destroyed during analysis?

No					
Funding specifically used in this park this reporting year that was provided by NPS (enter dollar amount): \$0	Funding specifically used in this park this reporting year that was provided by all other sources (enter dollar amount): \$2500				
List any other U.S. Government Agencies supporting this study or activity and the funding each provided this reporting year:					

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